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Nick Is Successful



Shown above is Nick Buoniconti, Agawam, proudly standing between two Vermont bucks taken this recent season. Nick's five-pointer weighed 175 dressed, and the six-pointer 145 pounds. Nick hunted out of East Wallingford with Vernon Stork, who downed a 100 pound spike horn, Ed Stork, Willard Stork, Francis Stork, and Elaine Stork who shot the six-pointer on Nick's right. This makes number four for Nick on the same ridge in Vermont.

Holy Family Charity Guild Plan Christmas Party Dec. 15

Agawam Guild, Holy Family League of Charity will start its ninth year of organization with a Christmas party, to be held at Storowton Inn, on Thursday evening, the 15th, at 7:30. A get-acquainted hour will start at 7. Agawam Guild organized in January, 1959 will hear a historical report from first vice president, Mrs. John Mokszy, Chairman of the Christmas dinner are Miss Jo and Jean Lango. Mrs. Robert Carney, Chancellor, will give the invocation before dinner. Msgr. Joseph Russell of the Chancery office, spiritual advisor to the Guild will be an honored guest.

Welcoming guests as they arrive will be Miss Frances Pedulla, second vice president and Mrs. Daniel Driscoll. Door prizes are in charge of Mrs. Joseph O'Connor. Mrs. Thomas Danford, guild president will preside at a short business meeting. An exchange of Christmas gifts will be in charge of Mrs. Felix Poggi. Special guests at the dinner will be Mrs. Stanley Korkosz, president of West Springfield

Guild, Holy Family League of Charity and Mrs. Raymond Suzor, former member of the Executive Council of the 25 Holy Family Guilds.

Three delegates from Agawam Guild attended a seminar on guilds held Sunday at the Charles Hotel in Springfield with delegates present from the 25 Holy Family Guilds. Three representatives were Mrs. Danford, Mrs. Mary Schoolcraft and Mrs. Mary McCarthy. At Sunday's meeting, three delegates present were ap-

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POSTER CONTEST FOR STUDENTS

Area high school students have been invited to participate in a poster design contest by the North Shore Community Arts Foundation of Beverly (Mass.). The foundation is sponsoring the contest in conjunction with its fifth annual Shakespeare Program for Students scheduled for May. Youngsters from all points in New England will compete in the design of a theatrical poster for the foundation's spring production of Shakespeare's "The Tempest." The winning poster will be used throughout New England to publicize the spring Shakespeare Program.

The winner of the poster design contest will be flown to New York on American Airlines where he, or she, will visit leading art museums, tour the new Lincoln Center cultural complex, and attend a Lincoln Center production. Other winners will receive the new Shakespeare game designed by the Avalon Hill Co. of Baltimore. This fascinating new game has been created to test the player's knowledge of Shakespeare and his plays. A panel of distinguished critics and art teachers will serve as judges.

Further details and rules for the contest may be obtained by writing the North Shore Community Arts Foundation, Box 62, Beverly, Mass. 01915. The foundation is a private, nonprofit organization active in the arts. "The Tempest" will be performed from May 15 to 27 in 16 daytime performances by a professional company in Beverly, Mass.

Jr. Women's Club Receive Award

"Selectmen Proclaim Week of Nov. 27 Agawam Junior Women's Club Week."

The Agawam Junior Women's Club has been honored for the second consecutive year with the presentation of "The Golden Deeds Award" by the Agawam Council for the Aging. The award was accepted by Mrs. Robert J. Zulon, club president.

The award, presented for the first time in 1965, is given to the organization which, in the opinion of the council, has done the most for Agawam's senior citizens.

Some of the work done to merit this award has been: compiling a list of senior citizens from town hall records; assisting the council by keeping records on Medicare; personally visiting homes of senior citizens to inform them of Medicare; and providing transportation to and from Golden Age meetings.

The award has resulted in the announcement by the board of selectmen that the week of Nov. 27 will be Agawam Junior Women's Club Week.

A member of the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Club's, Junior Membership, and a philanthropic organization, the club is composed of active young women working toward the advancement of public welfare and the promotion of civic and cultural interests of the women of our town.

Community Junior Grange Meet Dec. 3

The regular meeting of Community Junior Grange will be held on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Grange Home, North West St., Feeding Hills.

After the business meeting, Christmas crafts will be directed by Mrs. Naida King. Pencils, scissors, a wire coat hanger, and a half-gallon plastic container should be brought by each member for some of the projects. Refreshments will be served.

The American Legion, Wilson Thompson Post #185 wishes to remind the families of veterans serving overseas that the Red Cross will send your son A FREE recording of a family greeting, plus a photo of the recording session. You MUST make a reservation.

Call the Springfield Red Cross now — Tel. 737-4306. Recording dates are from now through Dec. 9th.

'Ye Old Christmas Fair' Saturday At Junior High

Final plans have been completed for Saturday's "Ye Old Christmas Fair" sponsored by the three parish organizations of St. John the Evangelist parish. The bazaar will open Saturday, Dec. 3 at 9 a.m. and will continue until 9 p.m. The Catholic Men's Club of the parish will serve a home cooked supper, with continuous servings from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. Reservations are preferred and may be made with any member of the three clubs; tickets will also be available at the door that night.

A full day of Christmas shopping and browsing has been plan-

ned by general chairmen, Mrs. Charles Tyler, Mrs. Timothy Collins and John Anderson. Residents of Agawam and nearby communities are cordially invited to attend the fair. Many lovely gifts for Christmas giving will be available, priced moderately.

An Early American booth, an innovation this year will feature Colonial articles such as wooden keys, Colonial soldiers mounted on burlap, black eagles outlined in gold, old fashioned pomanders to add fragrance to the clothes closet, large and small bird plaques, ingenious burlap string holder shaped like bird houses for the kitchen; also yarn dusters, toss pillows, candle holders and pine cones.

Other items available will be Santa Claus napkin holders, comb cases, head scarfs, match covers, ear warmers, decorated soap, novelty aprons, angels, trees made from pine cone and Christmas centerpieces. Many booths have been planned with the youngsters in mind.

The Christmas event has been planned with the entire family in mind, and it is hoped that families will attend together and make their Christmas purchases and also remain for supper. Many awards will be presented at the close of the fair with a color TV as top award.

A special prize donated by the Country Squire, an authentic (Please Turn To Page 2)

F. H. Club To Hold Yule Program

A newly formed choral group of the Feeding Hills Community Women's Club will entertain members with "A Medley of Popular Christmas Songs" at the Dec. 7 meeting at 8 p.m. in Grange Hall on North West Street.

A "Trim the Christmas Tree Party" will follow the business meeting and everyone is reminded to bring their exchange gift. Also, each member is giving a pair of mittens to trim the tree, then these will be given to the Agawam Clearing House for distribution at Christmas time.

Mrs. Walter Ugolick, chairman of Veteran's Service, will accept the filled Christmas Bags for the Holyoke Soldiers Home at this meeting.

Hostesses serving refreshments will be Mrs. John Baumann, chairman, assisted by Mrs. Kenneth Burton, Mrs. William Bennett, Mrs. Arthur Femmel, Mrs. Giles Halladay.

Lioness To Hold Yule Dinner Meeting Dec. 5

The Agawam Lioness Club will hold their December dinner meeting on the 5th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Federal Hill Club. Members are reminded to bring an exchange Christmas gift. A Christmas program has been planned for this meeting and will include holiday music.

Plans will be completed for the Christmas basket and gifts, which are given annually, to a needy family in town.

Wives of new Lions Club members are welcome at this meeting and may attend by contacting Mrs. Thomas Cascio for reservations.

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CHURCH NEWS

Agawam Methodist Church

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 Mrs. Herbert Binns, Organist
 Ronald Ashton, Lay Leader
 Mrs. Richard Fearn,
 Jr. Choir Director
 Mrs. Robert Garfield,
 Church Secretary
 Mrs. Marshall Keyes,
 Sanctuary Choir Director

Thursday — 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout meeting (Cadets).

Friday — 6 p.m. Springfield District Ministers and families Christmas Party at church; 6:15 p.m. Bowling Teams at Westside; Intermediate Youth Group which usually meet every Friday at 6 p.m. has been cancelled for this week.

Saturday — 11 a.m. Various members of our church conduct a service of worship at the East Longmeadow Nursing Home. 6:30 p.m. Loyalty Supper for members and friends of our church, held at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church.

Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Church School in session, all ages through sixth grade. Nursery for infants and Church at Worship. Mr. Robert Brown, Executive Secretary of the New England Conference — Stewardship will conduct the service; 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour; 11 a.m. Church Chapel Worship Service.

Monday — 7:30 p.m. Woman's Society of Christian Service. The Bell Ringers of the Agawam Baptist Church will present a Christmas Program. Anyone who is interested in hearing this fascinating Christmas presentation is welcome.

Tuesday — 7:30 p.m. Board of Trustees meet at church.

Wednesday — 6:30 p.m. Junior Choir practice; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir practice.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister
 Mrs. A. G. Toussaint,
 Minister of Music

Thursday — Noon Ladies Aid luncheon.

Friday — 4 p.m. Pastor's class in parish house; 7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 82; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal at Toelken's; 8 p.m. Merriweds card party.

Saturday — 8:45 a.m. Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday — 9 a.m. Church at Morning Worship in the Phelps School, Rev. Bryan preaching, and Nursery at Phelps School, Kindergarten through Junior Classes, church parish hall; 10 a.m. 7th Grade through 11 Grade Classes in church parish hall; 11 a.m. Church at Morning Worship in the Phelps School, Rev. Bryan preaching, and Nursery at Phelps School, Kindergarten through Junior Classes, church parish hall.

Monday — 7 p.m. Parents Baptism meeting; 7:30 p.m. Boards night.

Tuesday — 6:30 p.m. Senior High Choir rehearsal.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.
 Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney, Pastor
 Mrs. Frederick Nardi, Organist

Saturday — 6:30 p.m. The Agawam Methodist Church will hold its annual Loyalty Supper and business meeting in the halls. The Ladies Benevolent Society will serve the dinner.

Sunday — 9 a.m. Church School, kindergarten thru grade 10; 11 a.m. Worship Service with Communion.

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Easy to prepare and as delicious as it looks — that's "Green Beans and Potatoes Duchesse."

This appealing vegetable dish combines two favorite vegetables in convenient forms: instant mashed potatoes and canned green beans of the Blue Lake variety. Substitute cut Blue Lakes for the whole pack beans called for in the recipe, if you wish.

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2 tablespoons salad oil	1/4 teaspoon oregano, crushed
1/4 cup chopped onion	1/2 teaspoon seasoned salt
2 cans (1 lb. each) whole Blue Lake variety green beans	1 envelope (4 servings) instant mashed potatoes
1 tablespoon vinegar	2 egg yolks

Heat oil in saucepan. Add onion and sauté lightly. Drain beans, saving 1/4 cup liquid. Add beans, liquid, vinegar, oregano and seasoned salt to mixture. Cover and simmer about 5 minutes. Meanwhile, prepare mashed potatoes as package directs. Beat in egg yolks. Arrange beans down center of shallow baking dish. Spoon potatoes in 6 puffs along both sides of beans. Bake in 350-degree (moderate) oven about 15 minutes or until potatoes are lightly browned. Garnish with pimiento strips if you wish. Makes 6 servings.

Monday — 8 p.m. The monthly meeting of the Church Council in Griswold Hall.

Wednesday — 12 noon. The Agawam Clergy will meet in Griswold Hall. Dinner will be served by the ladies of the Church.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Rev. George Linse, C.S.S.
 Rev. James Shea, C.S.S.

Daily Mass: 7 a. m.
 Holy Day Masses: 7, 8 a. m. and 6, 7:30 p. m.
 Saturday — 4:30 and 7:30 p. m. Confessions

Sunday — 6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30 a. m. Masses.

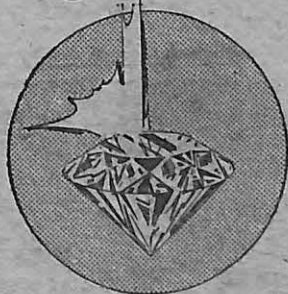
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 Sunday — 7, 8:30 and 10 a.m. Mass.
 Tuesday — 7 p.m. St. Theresa Novena Devotions

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister
 Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director
 Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist
 Mrs. Richard Orr,
 Church Secretary

Sunday — 10 a.m. Worship Service at Old Storowton Church, West Springfield, Eastern States Exposition Grounds.

Wednesday — 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church and Second Sts.
 West Springfield, Mass.

Rev. John N. Garner, Pastor
 Thursday — 7:30 p.m. Visitation program.

Friday — 8 p.m. Young people's group hay ride . . . students in school grades 7 through 12 invited to attend.

Saturday — 9 a.m. Work day at church; 1:30 p.m. Trustees meet at church.

Sunday — 9:45 a.m., Bible School for all ages, 11 a.m., morning worship service with a Gospel Message by Pastor Garner. There is a supervised nursery service available upstairs in the church during both Bible School and morning service, 6 p.m., Young People's groups meet at church; 7 p.m., evening service conducted by Pastor Garner.

Wednesday — 7:30 p.m., "Hour of Power," midweek prayer meeting and service, followed by choir practice.

(Bible Baptist Church is in fellowship with the General Assn. of Regular Baptist Churches and the American and International Councils of Christian Churches.)

Baptist Trading Post Open Wednesdays

The Trading Post at First Baptist Church, Agawam Center, will open Wednesday every week at 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and again in the evenings from 7 to 9.

Although a very successful mark-down sale was held last week, clothes and useful articles are still coming in and the racks hold a good variety of good-as-new winter clothing for all members of the family. Men's clothing is especially plentiful, and there is a good supply of girls' winter coats.

With the winter months just ahead, skating will soon be the popular sport. Used skates have come in and there are now several pair to choose from. Why not bring your child's out-grown ones in and see if you can find a replacement.

'Ye Old Christmas

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Hitchcock chair with slant back and cherry saddle. Mrs. Clifford Lothrop is in charge of this award. Admission to the fair is free and the general public is cordially invited with many surprises planned for those attending.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Dominic A. Ruscetta,
 CSS Rector.

Rev. Samuel Fayad, CSS.

Saturday — 4-5:30 p.m. and 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. confessions.

Mass Schedule

Sundays: 7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m.

Weekdays: 7 a.m.

Tuesday — 7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce
 Rev. Albert Blanchard

Saturday — 9 a.m. Religious classes Grades 1 to 6 at Junior High School; Confessions 4 to 5:45 and 7:30 to 9 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday — 6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30 and 11:45 a.m. Masses.

2 p.m. CCD classes for working High School students in St. John's Hall.

Monday — 7 p.m. CCD classes at Junior High School.

Tuesday — 7:30 p.m. Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions.

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

Thursday — 7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop #79 meets at parish hall.

Friday — 3:15 p.m. Junior choir practice at Church.

Saturday — 9 a.m. God and Country instruction at church.

Sunday — 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Matins and Sermon — Family Service.

Monday — 2:15 p.m. Girl scouts in the parish hall.

Wednesday — 7:30 p.m. Senior choir at church.

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Holy Family . . .

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pointed to serve on a special committee to encourage family praying to the Holy Family. Members appointed to represent the Connecticut Valley Guilds are: Miss Kathleen LaFleur of Northampton Guild, Mrs. Raymond Hurlbert of West Springfield Guild and Mrs. Thomas Danford of Agawam Guild. The delegates will meet and make a report to the Guilds in January.

Members of Agawam Guild who have not as yet made their reservations for the Christmas party, are asked to do so with Mrs. Daniel Driscoll of Main St., reservation chairman.

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She is a graduate of Montclair



CAPT BISHOP

High School, Montclair, N.J., class of '57, and of the College of Wooster, O., class of '61, where she received her B.A. degree in sociology.

After completion of college she was employed by the University of Rhode Island in institutional research.

Capt. Bishop entered the Army on a direct commission as a second lieutenant in Feb. 1963. Since that time her various duties have been as instructor of general military subjects and platoon officer at the Women's Army Corps Training Center, Ft. McClellan, Ala. Her last duty assignment found her serving as Commanding Officer of the WAC Detachment at Ft. Devens, Mass.

Capt. Bishop welcomes young ladies interested in learning more about either the enlisted program or commissioned program in the Women's Army Corps to contact her at U.S. Army Recruiting Station, P.O. Bldg., Springfield, Mass., or phone 781-2420 Ext. 363 for an appointment.

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PARTY WINNERS

A new series of card parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held last Wednesday evening in the Agawam National Guard Armory. Winners of door prizes were Harold Vaughn, Chet Gillett, Mary McKay and Etta Salters.

Mystery prizes were awarded to Ruth Cusson, George Pierce and Jess Tompkins. Ace prize winner for the ladies was won by Theresa Porter and Clarence Edwards for the men.

The following received high score prizes: Ladies—1st, Beatrice Newton; 2nd, Helen Nicoll; 3rd, Gladys Cortes; 4th, Mary McKay; Men—1st, Harold Landers, 2nd, Albert Tryon, 3rd, Ralph Stetson and 4th, Harold Thayer.

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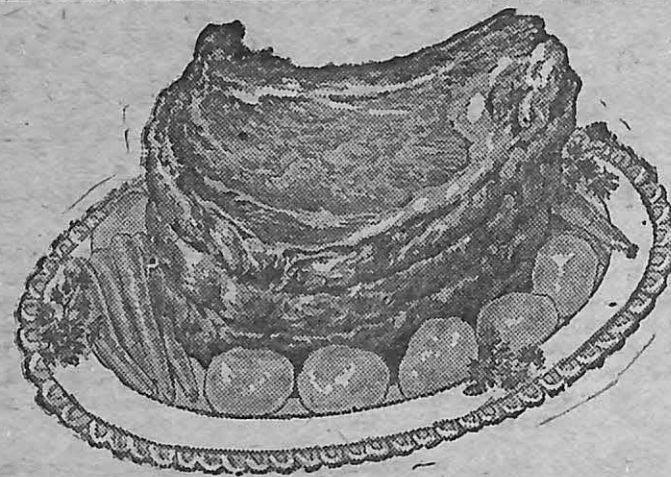
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Can You Keep Christmas?

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you...to ignore what the world owes you and to think what you owe the world...to put your rights in the background, your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground...to see that your fellow men are just as real as you are...and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy...to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life...but what you are going to give to life...to close your book of complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness...are you willing to do these things...even for a day? Then...you can keep Christmas!

India Faces Famine

According to reliable American newspapermen, India faces one of the worst phases of its entire history during the coming year. J. Anthony Lukas of the N. Y. Times writes, for instance that the monsoon rains have failed to fall in some areas for the second straight year. Photographs out of these regions show the earth to be a network of vast fissures, baked to a rock-like hardness. The beginnings of a famine so obvious during 1966 may explode into an all-out mass death from starvation during 1967.

Famine, or smaller geographic pockets of starvation are almost a way of life for millions in some African and Latin American countries. Meanwhile, in many other areas of the world, people barely exist on minimal diets.

Add to the growing hunger problem the growing rate of disease, slum conditions, the refugees (the largest number since the end of World War II) and the still great number of displaced persons and you have a full size problem fraught with shattering possibilities.

Three great faiths, the Protestants, Catholics and the Jews once again this Thanksgiving Season, have turned their attention to these needy around the world and are offering assistance in the form of food, clothing, shelter and other important aid. These are the Protestant "Share Our Substance" appeal, the Catholic "Bishops' Thanksgiving Collection" and the United Jewish Appeal.

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ROUTE 1

Monday, Dec. 5 — Arnold, Broz, Carmen Ave., Cleveland, Coronet Cir., Duclos Dr., Francis, Gale, Grant, Hall, Harding, Homer, James, Letendre Ave., Liberty, McKinley, Maynard, Norman, Norman Terrace Ext., North, Oak Lane, Robin Lane, Sherman Ave., Sylvan Lane, Taft, Walton Lane, Wilbert Ter., Wilson and Woodland.

ROUTE 2

Tuesday, Dec. 6 — Acorn, Agnoli Pl., Annable, Aubudon, Bessbrook, Chapin, Cherry, Colemore, Daniel, Day, Eastern Ave., Fenton, Franklin, Fruwirth Ave., Greenock, Hasting, Hayes Ave., Horsham Pl., Lenox, Lincoln, Line, Mooreland, Norwood Oak, Park, Pierce, Portland Pl., Ralph, Ridgeway, Sylvan, White and Witheridge.

ROUTE 3

Wednesday, Dec. 7 — Begley, Birchwood Ter., Bridge, Brookside Pl., Church, Cooley, Cottage, Dwight, Ellington, George, High, Highland, Hillcrest Ave., Howard, King, King Ave., Laurel, Lexington, Maple, McGrath Ter., Moore, Mulberry, Oak Ave., Oak Hill Ave., Orchard, Ottawa, Pasadena, Prospect River, Scherpa, Spencer, Spring, Summer, Sutton Pl., Tower Ter., Valley, Walnut, Walnut Street Ext. and Winthrop St.

Route 4

Thursday, Dec. 8 — Amherst, Barn Rd., Belvedere, Brookline, Columbus, Giffin Pl., Greenacre Lane, Henry, Highland, Homestead Ave., Keating, Kensington, Mill, Morris, Norris, Northwood, Randall, Rhodes Ave., Rowley, Royal, Royal Lane, Springfield, Twin Oaks Rd. and William St.

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Earth Pear-Shaped

Contrary to common opinion, our earth is not a sphere. Sir Isaac Newton suggested that it is slightly flattened at the poles.

During the International Geophysical Year, 1957-58, investigations showed that the earth is slightly pear-shaped.

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Monday: Veal cutlet w/creole sauce, mashed potatoes, buttered peas, bread/butter, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, hamburger on roll, potato chips, buttered mixed vegetables, mustard, relish, onions, peanut butter sandwich, peach shortcake w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Baked link sausage, parslid potatoes, apple sauce, bread/butter, chocolate cake w/butter icing, milk.

Thursday: Turkey salad roll, garden salad w/spinach greens, fruit pie square, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich, celery, and carrot sticks, butter cake w/hot fudge sauce, milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, sloppy joes on bun, buttered corn, tangerine w/butter cookies, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, meat ball grinders, cabbage carrot salad, sliced peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Turkey in gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, jello w/topping, milk.

Thursday: Orange juice, hamburger on bun, green beans, peach short cake, peanut butter sandwiches, milk.

Friday: Grape juice, shell macaroni w/tomatoes and cheese, tossed salad, bread/butter, butter cake w/chocolate sauce, milk.

DANAHY

Monday: Juice, hamburger in buttered bun, catsup, buttered green beans, prune spice cake, milk.

Tuesday: Turkey soup w/vegetables, turkey salad sandwiches, carrot sticks, orange wedges, brownie square, milk.

Wednesday: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, cranberry sauce, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Thursday: Italian spaghetti w/meat tomato sauce, cole slaw w/carrots, cheese wedge, pineapple chunks, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna fish salad sandwich, potato chips, sliced carrots, ripe olives, cake square, milk.

GRANGER

Monday: Juice, meat ball grinders, cheese stick, tossed salad w/spinach greens, apricots, milk.

Tuesday: Oven fried chicken, parsley potato, whole kernel corn, pan roll/butter, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, hamburger gravy, mashed potato, buttered green beans, hot buttered biscuit, chocolate cake, milk.

Thursday: Juice, grilled frankfurter on buttered bun, relish, mustard, 7 minute cabbage, deep dish apple pie, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, carrots, peas, cookies, applesauce, milk.

PEIRCE

Monday: Hamburg w/brown

gravy, whipped potatoes, buttered broccoli, peanut butter jelly sandwich, cookies, milk.

Tuesday: Grilled ham/cheese sandwich, harvest cole slaw, potato chips, apricots, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, oven fried chicken, parsley potatoes, buttered carrots, jelly sandwich, fudgie, milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti w/tomato meat sauce, buttered peas, cheese or peanut butter sandwich, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Citrus fruit juice, oven baked fish cakes, buttered kernel corn, hot raisin corn bread, chocolate cake w/mocha icing, milk.

PHELPS

Monday: Beef ravioli w/meat tomato sauce, cabbage carrot salad, peanut butter sandwich, apple crisp, milk.

Tuesday: Grilled hamburger on buttered bun, onion slices, relish, buttered peas/corn, orange wedges, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, vegetable beef soup, bologna sandwiches, cheese wedge, apple, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Thursday: Baked sausage links, mashed potatoes, cream style corn, bread/butter, pineapple, milk.

Friday: Fish sticks, mashed potatoes, tossed salad w/spinach greens, peanut butter sandwich, citrus fruit, milk.

ROBINSON

Monday: Orange juice, hamburger on buttered roll, catsup, potato sticks, buttered carrots, pecan spice cake, milk.

Tuesday: Tomato soup w/rice and vegetables, peanut butter jam sandwiches, fresh fruit, raisin oatmeal cookie, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus juice, pizza w/cheese and tomato sauce, beet salad, peanut butter graham cracker sandwich, sliced peaches, milk.

Thursday: Hamburg gravy, mashed potato, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, fruit, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich, potato chips, tossed salad w/tomato and spinach, jello w/topping, milk.

SOUTH

Monday: Citrus juice, tomato soup w/crackers, sliced beef on rye sandwich, carrot sticks, cheese wedge, fresh apple, cookie, milk.

Tuesday: Baked macaroni w/meat tomato sauce, grated cheese, A.B.C. salad, buttered vienna bread, peach halves, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus juice, hot turkey sandwich w/gravy, scalloped potatoes, cranberry sauce, buttered peas/carrots, apple sauce, milk.

Thursday: Tomato juice, hamburger on buttered roll, ketchup, buttered corn, pear halves, milk.

Friday: Baked beans, fish cakes, ketchup, fruit slaw, peanut butter w/honey on rye bread, pineapple jello w/topping, milk.

Providence Nursing School Glee Club Concert Dec. 6

HOLYOKE — The Providence Hospital School of Nursing Glee Club will present its first formal public concert, entitled "Music in the Air," in the Holyoke High School Auditorium Tuesday, Dec. 6, at 8 p.m.


The 48-member group, which includes freshman and junior student nurses, is directed by Chester Duda, teacher of music and director of the Mater Dolorosa Church choir. Mr. Duda's daughter, Miss Dolores Duda, will be the accompanist.

The program will include selections from Broadway plays, Christmas music and a variety of other selections. A feature of the evening will be four specialty numbers, including vocal solos by Miss Dorothy Rasys, a senior, of Brimfield; piano selections by Miss Patricia Hamel of Holyoke, accordion selections by Miss Theresa DeBonne of Springfield, and folk songs sung by Miss Susan Babyok of Feeding Hills and Miss Linda Stone of Northampton.

Miss Babyok and Miss Stone, who provide guitar accompaniment, recently were the winners of a talent competition conducted by District 1 of the Student Nurse Association of Massachusetts, which includes all of the schools of nursing in Western Massachusetts. Miss Babyok and Miss Stone write many of their own songs.

The Glee Club has appeared at the past two school of nursing graduations, and has also presented concerts at the Providence Mother House. However, this is the first public appearance of the group, and tickets may be obtained at the school of nursing on Elm Street in Holyoke or from any student nurse in the school.

A mother listening to the evening prayers of her sleepy little daughter was astonished and amazed to hear her say: "Now I lay me down to sleep, 'I pray the Lord my soul to keep. 'When he hollers let him go, 'Eenie Meenie, Miny, Mo."



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USS BENNER (FHTNC) — Navy Ensign Joseph M. Kelley, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Kelley of 12 Witheridge St., Agawam, has departed Long Beach, Cal., aboard the USS Benner on the first leg of a scheduled six-month deployment to the Seventh Fleet in the Western Pacific.

The Benner, in company with the rest of Destroyer Division-232 and the Anti-Submarine Aircraft Carrier USS Bennington, takes route first for the Hawaii area for some final training in Anti-Submarine Warfare.

The Benner, a 2250-ton, long hull destroyer, launched in 1944 and named for 2nd Lt. Stanley G. Benner, USMCR, posthumous winner of the Silver Star on Guadalcanal, is presently commanded by Navy Comdr. Richard C. Maurer.

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DAVID C. GALLANO
Director of Veterans Services



Income questionnaires which determine the amount of pension a veteran or his dependents receive from the Veterans Administration will be included in the November payments of more than 50,000 Massachusetts veterans and their dependents this year.

Recipients of VA pension are required to return the income questionnaires before Jan. 31, 1967, in order that their pensions may be continued. Pensions vary according to the amount of income a veteran has from other sources.

VA pensions go to persons who have become totally disabled from other than service-incurred causes.

The questionnaires also go to

parents of deceased veterans who are receiving dependency and indemnity compensation, as well as the widows of veterans who died from nonservice-connected causes.

The VA asks that the forms be returned as soon as possible and that care be taken to see that the card does not become folded or mutilated. It is to be used in automatic machines that require the card to be flat and intact.

Assistance and further information may be obtained at the VA Contact Division, Room E-116, John F. Kennedy Federal Building, Government Center, Boston, daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays 9 'tol 1.

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SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By Bill Chiba

The bowhunting season wound up with many deer being seen but none being wrapped for the freezer.

Skip Maello, West Springfield, went through a harrowing experience Friday while bowhunting in Otis with Donald Gowdy of North St., Feeding Hills. Skip heard a dog barking steadily and coming closer to where he was staking out a deep deer run. Suddenly a large 6 point buck appeared crossing in front of him not more than 40 feet away. Skip led the animal and shot his arrow . . . the arrow tangled up in the rack of the deer and so confused the animal that it turned towards the startled bowhunter. Before Skip could think about placing another arrow on the string of his bow, the deer ran directly at him and Skip jumped out of the way. The deer hit the bow in Skip's hand and carried it about 20 feet down the run before it fell to the ground. You have to give that round to the deer.

Wary Monster

I had located a choice area in the woods of Sandisfield where signs showed that four deer were feeding on the acorns and small plant life. I set up two tree stands and invited Bob Jacobs, Springfield, to hunt with me last Tuesday morning. The dawn broke with a very blue sky and not a breeze stirring the vegetation. About 8 o'clock, after we were on the verge of being driven nuts by squirrels darting back and forth in the dry leaves, a very large rack buck walked nonchalantly to the stone wall that divided the open area we were staking out from the thick underbrush, and gracefully leaped over it. I thought to myself; this was it, I had correctly diagnosed the area and it was going to pay off . . . I already had the deer in the freezer. Alas; this was not to be. When the buck hit the other side of the wall, he froze. His

front and vital area was hidden from me by a group of small trees . . . I could not shoot til he moved ahead a few feet. The distance from me to the deer was about 15 yards. The deer was facing Bob and he couldn't shoot because of a mass of small branches directly in front of the deer. This tableau lasted for about 8 minutes which seemed like 8 days to us. Finally, the deer made the first move, he pivoted very quickly, jumped the wall and was back in the thick brush from where he came.

It was very obvious that the deer had been alerted by something after he jumped the wall. The only answer we could come up with was cigarette smoke. Bob smokes, and I had smelled smoke from his cigarette that morning. The air currents were very minute and I figure that a bit of smoke had settled down towards the ground and the deer whiffed it. This foreign smell alerted him and he decided to vacate the grove. Anybody that claims that cigarette or cigar smoke doesn't effect deer, knows very little about deer and their daily routine of survival.

Friday morning, Bob and friend Rich Kudla, were staking out an oak grove in the nearby State Forest in Sandisfield. Four deer walked into the oaks, Bob shot four times, the deer ran out of the oaks—oh well, that's bowhunting says Bob.

From the signs in various areas we visited this past two weeks, I would say that there is more deer this year. I predict that the deer kill this coming gun week, which will open Dec. 5, will surpass last year's by at least 1000.

Francis LaMagdelien, Winthrop St., Agawam, and president of the Massachusetts Bare Bow Association is recovering from surgery at the Wesson Memorial Hospital, Springfield. He would enjoy hearing from his many friends while being confined to the hospital bed.

Frank Maello, chairman of the fund raising committee of the Agawam Bowmen Club, wishes to remind the members of the club who have not made their returns to please do so prior to the smorgasbord and dance being held Dec. 3rd at the St. Anthony's Society Hall, Springfield St., Feeding Hills. If a member finds that it is impossible to do so prior to the affair, please see that the returns are made that night.

The United States Bare Bow Association will hold its next meeting at the Bristol Fish and Game Club, Bristol, Conn., Dec. 4. The meeting will get underway

Library Board Problems?

Now that elections are over, preparations for the forthcoming Town Meeting are being made by all departments — including the library.

It seems rather strange that the various members of the Library Board of Trustees cannot combine their talents instead of bickering. Among the Board are: two people who have great influence within the two political parties: a young, extremely well-educated housewife and mother with a flair for writing; a respected and knowledgeable businessman who is cognizant of costs; a person who, through meeting many progressive professional people at state, regional and national library meetings, can bring the latest ideas to the Town Board; and last, but not least, an extremely successful salesman who could inform the Board of the best techniques to use in putting ideas before the general public.

However, this ideal situation has failed to materialize. Why? Perhaps it is because the majority of the Board feel that the dedicated person who brings new ideas is trying to run the Board. Perhaps the Board does not recognize that dedicated bubbling-over enthusiasm is not the same as desire for prestige, power or control. Perhaps the Board does not realize that the several outside dedicated professional people have given advice after careful, thorough thought and study to all sides based upon experience

with other library boards with similar problems.

Let us hope that the Board will reconsider everything before making its most important, serious, and irrevocable mistake of putting any kind of library building behind Brady Village.—Mrs. Harriet Keogh.

"Globetrotters" At AIC Friday Night



HUBERT AUSBIE
HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS

The internationally - famous Harlem Globetrotters, featuring the amazing antics of Meadowbrook Lemon, will take on the touring New York Nationals in the Butova Memorial Gym at American International College, Friday evening, Dec. 2. Tap-off is scheduled for 8, according to Joseph J. O'Grady, AIC's athletic director.

This will be the first appearance for the Globetrotters in this area in several years.

"Remaining tickets will be sold at the box office the evening of the game, but based on advance requests we should have a large turn-out," Mr. O'Grady added.

The Trotters, coached by Inman Jackson, are considered sportsdom's most exciting attraction. The famous razzle dazzle of the Harlem Globetrotters has thrilled capacity crowds throughout the world, even behind the Iron Curtain.

LEGAL NOTICES

BOARD OF SELECTMEN AGAWAM, MASS.

November 28, 1966
Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138 of the General Laws, that the Squires of Agawam, Inc., Leo Loncrini, Pres., has applied for a license to sell Alcoholic Beverages of the following kind: All Alcoholic as a Common Victualer at 15 King St., in building consisting of three floors; three rooms on the first floor; two rooms on the second floor; cellar for storage.

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Licensing Board
(Dec. 1)

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Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138 of the General Laws, that the Wilson Thompson Post #185, American Legion, Robert Orr, Mgr., has applied for a license to sell Alcoholic Beverages of the following kind: All Alcoholic as a Common Victualer at 478 Springfield St.; Upper and lower halls, bar room and Lounge room.

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Third National Bank To Have 'Sharing Tree' Again This Year

For the third consecutive year employees of Third National Bank of Hampden County—and Third National customers who may wish to participate — will have an opportunity to share their Christmas giving with needy boys and girls. Miss Eunice E. Olson, assistant cashier, and Mrs. Carolyn Maroney of the collection department, are again planning the Third National Christmas "sharing tree" which has always received such excellent response from employees and from many of the bank's customers.

In past years the "sharing tree" has been erected in the lobby of the main office, but Miss Olson said the trees will be provided for all of the Third National branches in the county for the first time. The decorated

trees will receive wrapped Christmas gifts for distribution to youngsters who might not otherwise receive presents at the holiday time.

It is requested that those who do participate wrap the gift in an attractive Christmas paper and indicate with a note whether the gift is for a boy or girl, and the age group for which it is intended.

Miss Olson said that gifts received at the main office of the Third, and at branches in the Greater Springfield area, will be distributed through the Springfield office of the Salvation Army. The gifts that are received in such offices at Westfield, Palmer, Three Rivers, Southwick, or those not in the area of the Salvation Army, will be given to an organization in the community for distribution there.

"I hope that this year's response to the "sharing tree" will be as fine as it has been during the past two years," Miss Olson said. "These gifts mean so much to underprivileged boys and girls. Last year I was told by the Salvation Army that without the 150 gifts provided by employees and friends of the Third there would have been many Christmas trees with nothing under them."

PROMENADERS

SQUARE DANCE

By June and Elmer Roosa

The natives grow restless, but not for the sound of jungle drums, oh no! — what we want to hear again after two whole weeks which were so busy we had no chance to go square dancing, is the call to "square up" and the sight of the whirling skirts and laughing eyes on the dance floor at Robinson Park School.

The next "good time" in store for the Agawam Promenaders and all guests of the area is sure to be a "gasser." We have a fellow coming to us who is known as "the caller with the lively beat"—yes, you guessed it—Joe Prystupa!

Joe has been calling for almost five years now and we've danced to him several times. He does have a good beat and we're looking forward to our next dance on Friday evening, the 9th of December at 8

All of you gals and fellows will have finished the last vestiges of the "bird" by that time and we hope, recovered from any infirmities the feasting may have brought on—so how about coming on up to the school on Begley St. and "shaking a leg" with us.

We carry on as usual in spite of one or two setbacks and it almost seems as though we are more firmly determined than ever to enjoy one of the best pleasures and some of the nicest people we know!

See you there!



COLLEGE NEWS

Three Agawam students, Christopher J. Bandall of 426 North St., Donald R. Gowdy of 390 North St., and Preston R. Wallace of 90 School St., are enrolled at Wentworth Institute for 1966-67 academic year according to an announcement by Dr. H. Russell Beatty, Wentworth president.

MICHALAK RECEIVES LETTER

ITHACA, N. Y. — John Michalak of 110 Fairview St., Agawam, has been selected by Ithaca College varsity football coach, Richard Lyon, to receive a letter.

The Bombers defeated Tufts, Susquehanna, Bridgeport, and American International College, while losing to West Chester, Montclair, Cortland and C. W. Post. Ithaca finished the season strong, winning its last two games. The IC eleven racked up 170 points to its opponents' 79.

Michalak, who played end, is a junior in the School of Health and Physical Education at Ithaca College.

There are more rifle and pistol ranges in the United States than golf courses, and hunters outnumber golfers nearly two to one.

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Just 16 Putts

Seattle

A left-handed retired postal supervisor took only 16 putts on an 18-hole round Friday at the municipal Jackson Park golf course here—setting what may be an all-time putting record.

Henry H. Zeckner, 67, chipped in on the 5th and 11th greens and one-putted the rest. His longest putt was 25 feet. The feat was witnessed by three playing companions.

Zeckner, who didn't take up golf until he was 50, has a handicap of 12 and 14 and shot an 84 for the round.

No official records are kept for casual rounds, but the PGA tour records is 19 putts, shared by Bob Rosburg, Bill Nary and Randy Glover.

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My Beat — A.H.S.

Jo-Ann Della-Giustina

Surprises! Surprises! . . . That's what will be seen Saturday night at 8 as the faculty of Agawam High School present the "Faculty Frolics." All the teachers are participating in this show to raise money for the student fund. Skits will be performed, and to bridge the time between them, the teachers will present commercials. Come, and you may see your English teacher portraying a character in your favorite commercial or your Math teacher playing a cowboy in a western skit or any of your teachers playing almost any character. Will Batman and Robin be there? Come, and you will find out!!

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children's books, mysteries, or reference books! They'll all be found at the pre-Christmas Book Fair in the AHS Library. The library staff has been busily working at this fair, which ends tomorrow. Mrs. Holmes, Librarian, has been supervising and Miss Miller, English teacher has scheduled all English classes to visit this fair, so that all the students will have a chance to buy some of these marvelous paperbacks. Profits from this sale will be used to buy new books for the library. If you haven't visited the Book Fair yet, do so you may find books for enjoyment and for reference.

COMING EVENTS: Christmas parties of the many clubs and organizations at Agawam High School will be held this month!! . . . The Senior Kid Party will be held on Dec. 23!! . . . The Basketball and Hockey seasons start soon!!

A Bank Shot?

Ripley, W. Va.

An eight-pound ball recently found near Cedar Lakes mystified local authorities, so they locked it inside a bank vault for safekeeping. Some thought it was coated with 14-carat gold.

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LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

by Gladys R. Catchepaugh

CHRISTMAS CANE FANTASY

A gay bazaar, "The Christmas Cane Fantasy," with a surprise gift for each one attending, and a wide assortment of articles suitable for gifts, home baked foods, candies, toys, unusual and original Christmas settings and decorations, a well stocked table of white elephants, will be held by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 185 at the Legion Home on Friday evening and all day Saturday, Dec. 9 and 10. Coffee and refreshments will be served on Saturday, and everyone is invited. This will be set up in the "Buddy Morrison Lounge."

Mrs. Julia Moore is general chairman in charge of arrangements, with Mrs. Eveline McGowan serving as cochairman. Mrs. Virginia Catchepaugh, Unit president, is honorary chairman.

The Auxiliary members helping with plans and serving on the committee include Mrs. Belle Russell, food table; Mrs. Jane Whalen, candy table; and Mrs. Irene Goss, Mrs. Ruth Carr and Mrs. Wilma Gillan, white elephant.

A supper will be served in the Legion Hall from 6 to 8 by the Legion Post for the benefit of the Child Welfare Program. Mrs. Pauline Brown will assist George Gillan, Child Welfare chairman of the Post. Music and dancing will follow. Reservations may be made with Mr. Gillan or Mrs. Brown, or by calling the Post Home. Tickets for the supper are 99 cents.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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Q. What is the earliest date I can enroll for medicare?

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Q. Why should any health insurance application be filed 3 months before age 65?

A. Health insurance is a two-part program—hospital insurance and medical insurance. The medical insurance part will start at age 65 only if you file your application in the 3 months before your birthday.

Q. Why did I receive a notice about enrolling for medical insurance? I get checks now and thought I would get automatic protection at 65.

A. The hospital insurance protection is automatic; however, the medical insurance is voluntary and you must enroll for it. If you wish medical insurance to start the month you are 65, you must enroll in the 3-month period before your birthday.

Q. What if I am away from home in another State—will my hospital insurance still pay for my care?

A. Yes. Your hospital insurance protects you no matter where you are in the United States. Your health insurance card is the proof of your protection.

Q. Will hospital insurance pay for my care no matter where I go to get the services?

A. Your hospital insurance will pay for covered services you receive from any participating hospital, extend care facility, or home health agency that is in the medicare program. Also, in an emergency, if you are taken to a hospital which is not participating, your hospital insurance will pay for covered services you receive until emergency services in the nonparticipating hospital are no longer necessary from a medical standpoint.

Q. Is there a special limitation for people who are in a qualified psychiatric or tuberculosis hospi-

tal when their hospital insurance protection starts?

A. Yes. For a person in such a hospital on the first day of coverage, the number of days for which hospital insurance can pay in the first "spell of illness" is reduced by the total number of days the person has been in the hospital during the previous 90 days. For example, if a person's hospital insurance starts July 1, 1967, and he was in a psychiatric or tuber-

culosis hospital on that day and the 50 days before, hospital insurance could pay for only 40 days in that "spell of illness."

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